

COMMENDABLE ACTION CONGRESS SUMMONED

Alexandria Dealers Showing Consideration for the People Which is Most Gratifying.

In view of the almost universal increase in the price of the necessities of life which have been made within the past year, especially the last few months, the Gazette desires to call the attention of its readers to the action taken by Alexandria concerns in connection therewith.

As will be seen by an announcement appearing in another column, the Mutual Ice Company of this city states that, notwithstanding the great increase in the cost of materials, it will endeavor to sell its product to consumers at the same price as at present during the coming season.

We believe such action to be most commendable, and that it will be appreciated by the public is conceded. It is certainly most gratifying to see a corporation take such a position at this time.

In connection with the above, it may be of interest to our citizens to learn that a representative of the Gazette has been told by leading dealers in provisions, coal and other necessities, in this city, that every effort will be made to provide for the wants of Alexandrians at the lowest prices possible, consistent with safe business principles. In fact, we are in possession of facts to prove that this has been done during the recent past, while the price of nearly everything has been taking the aeroplane route.

The principle of "live and let live" is not yet dead, and it affords us pleasure to learn that it has some splendid exponents in our home city of Alexandria.

STATE MOBILIZATION CAMP

Will it be Located at Richmond or at Some Other Point?

Regarding the present agitation of the mobilization of the state troops, which seems imminent, the Richmond Virginian of today says:

There ought to be no doubt as to the placing of the mobilization camp at a point convenient to the state government. There should be provided an adequate, well-drained, well-lighted camp site, with proper water and sewer connections, on the suburbs of this city.

Here is located the machinery of government and the travel facilities are such as to enable prompt troop movements to and from all sections of the state.

It occurs to us that the state mobilization camp is not a plum to be sought by this or any other city without regard to the military necessities which may arise.

We can very readily imagine situations which would make it highly desirable to rush troops from the mobilization camp to the seashore to mobilization camp to the seashore, to capes of Virginia, if Richmond is, as it would seem, the central point from which these places may all be the more promptly reached, then Richmond should beyond question be the site of the mobilization camp.

In all such discussions the greater question is, which location the better unites the necessary physical requirements with the transportation facilities and geographical location essential to be best results.

Only Colored Man to Win Southern Cross.

"Uncle Josh" Robinson, the only colored man in the United States who wears the Southern Cross of Honor, given by the United Daughters of the Confederacy, and also the only colored man who draws a Confederate pension, will attend the Confederate reunion in Washington in June.

"Uncle Josh," who has lived in Morganfield, Ky., for many years, shouldered a musket in 1862. He is very much in evidence at the reunions, as he always carries the banner of the Adam Johnson Company, the Tenth Kentucky.

President Wilson has been invited to address the Confederate reunion on the first night of the meeting.

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President Wilson Issues Call Today for Extra Session to Convene on Monday April 2nd.

President Wilson this morning issued a call for Congress to assemble in extra session on Monday, April 2nd, to act on the state of war admitted to exist between the United States and Germany, as the result of sinking of American ships by the German submarines, and will ask for authority to use all necessary means in the defense of this country, its citizens and property, it is expected.

Action to this effect was made known at the White House this morning.

President's Proclamation.

Whereas public interests require that the Congress of the United States should be convened in extra session at 12 o'clock noon, on the 2d day of April, 1917 to receive a communication concerning grave matters of national policy which should be taken immediately under consideration.

Now, therefore, I, Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim and declare that an extraordinary occasion requires the Congress of the United States to convene in extra session at the Capitol in the city of Washington on the 2d day of April, 1917, at 12 o'clock noon, of which all persons who shall at that time be entitled to act as members thereof are hereby required to take notice.

Given under my hand and the seal of the United States of America the twenty-first day of March, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and of the independence of the United States the one hundredth and forty-first.

KAISER NERVOUS, IS REPORT.

German Emperor Reported Sad and Thoughtful at Czar's Overthrow.

London, March 21.—A dispatch to the Daily Express from The Hague says:

"The Kaiser is said to have heard of the fate of the Czar with considerable sadness and nervousness. The Kaiser is known to be very superstitious and he has been deeply impressed by the rapid development of Russian affairs."

"As the Socialist review Licht says 'he knows that the price of opposition to the people's wishes will be the same as that paid by Czar Nicholas'. Socialist papers are allowed by the censorship to hint with almost insinuating clearness that the Hohenzollerns should be quick to derive profit from the lesson given to the Romanoffs."

VIRGINIA NEWS.

Charged with having beaten his wife, James H. C. Grasty, of Staunton, candidate for secretary of the Commonwealth, former member of the general assembly and later a fixed agent for the enforcement of the Harrison anti-narcotic law, was arrested yesterday and bailed in the sum of \$250 for his appearance before a magistrate on Thursday. The charges against Mr. Grasty were preferred by his mother-in-law Mrs. O. M. Tippet. He declined to discuss the charge.

Col. Joseph Lane, Stern, inspector-general of the State, and Major Allen Potts, both of Richmond, yesterday inspected the site offered by Petersburg for a mobilization camp for the Virginia troops. The two officers, accompanied by a number of citizens, were taken in automobiles to Lake Mont, in Prince George county, a short distance from the city, where the site is offered. The tract contains about 300 acres and is within a short distance of the Norfolk and Western Railway. A representative of the railway company, who was in the party, stated that a sidetrack could be laid within 48 hours and City Engineer Budd stated that water could be run to the property in about 20 days. Both Colonel Stern and Major Potts expressed themselves as much pleased with the ground and location.

Governor Harrington, of Maryland, today announced the appointment of a commission to report on the practicability of providing military education for youths between 14 and 21 years of age, and of creating a military reserve. The naming of such a commission is authorized by an act of the last legislature.

Miss Nellie Hash, 18, and Will White, 21, were drowned yesterday in

Alexandria City and Suburbs

The Junior German Club will meet Friday afternoon, from 4 to 6 o'clock, in the auditorium of the Elks' Home, in Prince street.

Funeral services were held at 8 o'clock this morning for the late Miss Catherine E. Schafer, from the residence, 2125 West Saratoga street, Baltimore, and a requiem mass was said in St. Martin's Church, at 8:30 Interment was in the New Cathedral Cemetery, Baltimore.

At the time of the accident to the fountain at the corner of Cameron and Royal streets, in September last, the bronze ornament or "Dolphin," which surmounted the top of the monument was lost or mislaid. Any information as to its whereabouts, or that will lead to its recovery, will be gratefully received by the ladies of the D. A. R. or the city authorities. It was seen shortly after the accident.

Rev. C. G. Curry, superintendent of the Alexandria district colored Methodist churches, was appointed as minister of the Asbury Church, Baltimore, by the annual conference which closed at Baltimore yesterday. He will be succeeded in this district by the Rev. E. J. Ruddock, of Lynchburg, Va. The Rev. J. W. Jackson, pastor of the Roberts' Chapel, in this city, was returned to that charge for the coming year.

Among the speakers at the banquet of the Baraca Class held last night in the Young People's Building were the Rev. Dr. E. B. Jackson, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Samuel W. Pitts, superintendent of the Sunday School of that church, Norman L. Williamson, teacher of the class, M. T. Pitts, Corrie Fletcher, A. S. Man-kin, G. C. Trenary and Carroll Pierce. G. R. Grimes, the president of the class, presided as toastmaster. The hall was decorated in blue in honor of the "Blues" for whom the banquet was given. About 100 were present.

Upper Two Run Creek, 13 miles north of Clay Courthouse, W. Va., while riding on horseback to a minister's home to be married. Their horses slipped into the stream as they sought to cross a bridge. The animals swam safely to shore but the young couple drowned.

A giant eagle pounced down on a sheep near McDowell, West Virginia, buried its talons deep in the animal's back, but the sheep saved its life by running into a thicket. The bird then attacked a colt, which ran, but finally fell dead from loss of blood and exhaustion. A colored man gave battle to the bird, but it escaped him. It was afterward caught in a trap. It measured, from tip to tip of its wings, a little more than seven feet.

Mrs. William Cummings Story, president-general of the Daughters of the American Revolution, has appointed Miss Maria Copeland, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Copeland, of Round Hill, a page for the twenty-sixth Continental Congress, which meets in Washington the week of April 16.

W. J. Dickens, a traveling salesman for the Reynolds Tobacco Company, had two ribs broken, his ankle sprained and his head cut yesterday when his automobile skidded and turned over near Harrisonburg. The car was badly damaged. Dickens lives in Harrisonburg.

Only Two Escape.

Only two are missing from the interned German ships at Philadelphia, according to the latest navy messages. The missing are Lieut. Cort, and Machinist's Mate Schroeder, who are believed to have drowned. Others were caught in the waters and nearly frozen to death. They were well supplied with money.

Special Notice.

Randolph Chapter Knights Rose Croix, No. 2, will hold a regular meeting on Friday March 23rd, 1917, at 7:30 p. m. in the Masonic Temple, at which time the eighteenth degree will be conferred. All members and visiting knights are cordially invited to be present.

Frank W. Latham, 32 degree, Secretary.

WHOLESALE

Oysters, Clams and Crabs.
J. BRILL, No. 2 King St.

The Lavras Workers of the Second Presbyterian Church will meet Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock, in the Westminster Building.

Keystone Chapter, No. 58, Royal Arch Masons, of Charlottesville, will hold a reception this evening in honor of Grand High Priest, J. E. W. Timberman, of this city, of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Virginia. After the work of the chapter a banquet will be served.

State Prohibition Commissioner Sidney J. Peters, of Richmond, will deliver an address in the Methodist Church, South, in this city, before the Men's Bible Class at 9:45 a. m., on Sunday, April first. It is also expected that he will speak at the regular morning service in that church the same day.

Archie Posey, the colored man arrested for assaulting another colored man named Williams with an iron pipe, on the steamer Majestic, night before last, was fined \$25 by Police Justice Caton this morning. John Mumford and James Rothwell were fined \$5 each for drunkenness. Mat Williams was sentenced to jail for thirty days for gambling.

It is a little early for wild violets to bloom, but Dr. J. H. Bitzer has a pretty bunch of them in blossom at his home on Prince street. He found the plants in the field near Belmont, in January, took them up and cared for them and as a result has been rewarded with some beautiful early flowers before mother Earth has hardly recovered from the winter's chill. Arbutus, Bloodroot, Spotted Wintergreen and Hepatica plants, discovered in the same locality, are also included in his collection. The Arbutus will be in full bloom in about ten days. The Doctor is one of a party of Nature lovers from the city who have been in the habit of enjoying excursions out in the open country south of Alexandria each week during the past year, in which they have found much pleasure and recreation.

CELEBRATION ON TRAIN.

R. H. Atkinson, Formerly of This City Arranges Program in Honor of George Washington.

The Oregonian, published at Portland, Oregon, contains the following account of a celebration arranged by Mr. R. H. Atkinson, son of Captain Richard H. Atkinson, of this city, which was given on board of a train on the O. W. R. & N. Railroad:

Educators on board the train en route to Kansas City, where the National convention of city school superintendents takes place March 23-April 3, celebrated Washington's birthday with a series of addresses under the general title, "Washington's Message to Present-Day Americans." The exercises were arranged by R. H. Atkinson, representing the O. W. R. & N. Company, and he was chairman during the celebration.

Among the speakers and their subjects were "Washington's Boyhood," William Geiger, of Tacoma; "Washington, the Scholar," Frank B. Cooper, of Seattle; "Washington, the Soldier," C. E. Beach of Olympia; "Washington, the Statesman," H. D. Sheldon, of Eugene; "Washington the Citizen," L. R. Alderman, of Portland; "Washington's Place in the World's History," D. R. Frazier, of Tacoma; "Washington's Probable Conduct if President Today," Dr. J. Francis Drake, of Portland.

The celebration opened with the singing of the "Star-Spangled Banner" and closed with "America." The singing was led by Mrs. C. L. Tomlinson, formerly of this city, but who now lives in New York.

The exercises were attended by the passengers in all the standard sleepers.

Mr. Atkinson is from Washington's home town, Alexandria, Va.

Attempt to Murder Czarina

Berlin, March 21.—Sensational reports were received here from the Russo-Swedish border towns of a plot to assassinate the former czarina, which was frustrated in the eleventh hour. Prince Dolgourki is said to have been the leader of the conspirators. He was hanged, it is said, while his accomplices were shot. The former empress is now in practical banishment at Kiev.

Services will be held at 7:30 o'clock this evening in Grace Church.

Mrs. M. E. Stone, of Richmond, is visiting her niece, Mrs. Michael Downey, at her home in Duke street.

Randolph Chapter, Knights Rose Croix, No. 3, will confer the eighteenth degree on the evening of Friday, March 23rd, at the Masonic Temple.

There will be the usual prayer service in the Girl's Club room, 921 King street, Thursday evening, at 8 o'clock, led by Mrs. J. H. Mansfield.

Miss Elizabeth Smith, has returned to her home in Falls Church, after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Alexander K. Stratton, at their home in south Pitt street.

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Downey, of Cumberland, Md., spent the past week-end with Mr. Downey's parents Mr. and Mrs. Michael Downey, in Duke street.

The funeral of the late Dannis J. Kinnery, who died in the Alexandria Hospital Monday, will be held tomorrow at 10 a. m., from the residence of his sister, Mrs. J. Howard Ingelhart, 701 north Carrollton avenue, Baltimore, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. Golladay, of 823 Newton street, Brookland, announced Sunday the marriage of their daughter, Miss Estelle Golladay, and Mr. Herbert L. Rider, which took place in Alexandria, August 19, 1916. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Edgar Carpenter.

The tea at the Girls' Club Friday afternoon, from 3 to 6 o'clock, will be in charge of Mrs. Louis N. Duffey. These weekly teas are always enjoyable and the members of the club are glad to welcome the townspeople and interest them in the club work. A half hour could not be spent in a more profitable manner than in having a cup of tea with friends.

FACING DECLARATION OF WAR

Leaders in Capital Realize Serious Situation Affairs Are in.

Washington, March 21.—Stirred by the call of the President for an extra session two weeks earlier than first proposed, Congressmen today recognized the fact that they face the question of declaring war on Germany.

That a declaration of war or recognition that a state of war exists is almost a certainty, is the prevailing view among such Senate and House leaders as are in the Capital.

Plans for the organization of the House of Representatives are all awry.

The earlier date will find both the Democratic and Republican leaders in an embarrassing position. The situation augurs for a bi-partisan organization.

Democrats, 214; Republicans, 214; Independents, 5; will be the party alignment (on paper) when the House convenes. Indications now are that not all the members of the House can be present and sickness may play a part in the organization, just as death already has played.

Report Serious Food Riots in Berlin

London, March 21.—Reuter's Amsterdam correspondent reports that it is rumored that serious riots have broken out in Berlin, in connection with the scarcity of food.

A dispatch from Oldenzaal, Holland, says "persistent rumors are current of great rioting in Berlin." The dispatch adds: "Frontier regiments are reported to have left for Berlin to maintain order."

Notice Annual Meeting.

To the Stockholders:—Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Washington Sanitary Improvement Company will be held at the office of James R. Caton, Esq., No. 111 South Fairfax Street, Alexandria, Va., on Tuesday, April 3rd, 1917, at 2 o'clock p. m.

GEO. S. WILSON, Secretary.

MONEY TO LOAN—On first mortgage in Alexandria and Rosemont. Apply to Howard W. Smith, 107 north Fairfax street. 1-12-17

TRIBUTE TO PRESIDENT

Secretary Tumulty Declares None Can Realize What Mr. Wilson has Done for the United States.

Secretary Tumulty in the course of an address at a dinner given in his honor last night at Newark, N. J., spoke of the "infinite patience and skillful hands" with which President Wilson is guiding the destiny of the nation.

"I wonder if you can realize how truly epochal is this period in which we are living," said Mr. Tumulty. "I wish I could discuss with you some phases of the international situation with which the Government at Washington had to deal since the world war began. I wish that all you, and all Americans, could know, as I have been privileged to know with what infinite patience and skillful hand the silent and heavy laden man who but a few years ago served you as Governor has guided the destiny of the republic."

"No man can realize what he has done and is doing for the United States of America, for the world, for civilization and humanity. It is not a great thing to be secretary to the President, but it is a wonderful thing to be associated with a President like Woodrow Wilson. Some day a great historian will tell the story of what he has endured, of the problems he has met, of the scrupulous care and patience he has taken to preserve the rights of America, and to keep free and open the processes of liberty. Children in the schools and young men in the colleges will read in the text books of the unsurpassed justice and high ideals of a practical statesman who was raised up to direct the destiny of this nation in its most trying hour. We are too close to the world events of the last few years to appreciate them, to estimate justly the wonderful period in which we are living."

Senator James, of Kentucky, Senator Hughes, of New Jersey, and Representative Heflin, of Alabama, were among the other speakers.

ORDER OF EASTERN STAR.

Elects Officers and Confers Degrees at Meeting Last Night.

At the regular meeting of Martha Washington Chapter No. 42, Order of Eastern Star, held in the Masonic Temple last night, the Star degrees were conferred on a class of four candidates, after which the following officers were elected and appointed for the ensuing year:

Mrs. Matilda Schwarzmann, W. M. Geo. W. Zachary, ... W. P. Mrs. Mueller, ... A. M. Mrs. Evelyn Reynolds, ... Secretary Miss Lucy M. Graves, ... Treasurer. Mrs. Florence Clift, ... Cond. Mrs. Margaret Davis, ... A Cond Mrs. Lucile Batcheller, ... Chaplain Miss Annie Luckett, ... Marshall Mrs. Bessie McCuen, ... Organist Mrs. Dine Chadwick, ... Adak Miss Margaret Fink, ... Ruth Mrs. Rena Blumenfeld, ... Esther Miss Julia Duncan, ... Martha Miss Mary Brown, ... Electa Mrs. Mamie Risheill, ... Warden. The installation of the above officers will take place on the evening of April 10th.

Card of Thanks

I wish to thank my friends through the Gazette, for the many tokens of kindness, love, and sympathy, which were shown us in our sad bereavement.

Mrs. Lottie Connelly.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given, that in conformity with the provision of an Act of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved March 10, 1916 (Acts 1916, Chapter 146, pages 219-223-224), the undersigned will on the Ninth day of April 1917, apply to the Corporation Court of the City of Alexandria, for a license to purchase, store, and sell wine for sacramental purposes, pure whiskey and pure brandy and pure fruit, ethyl and grain alcohol, for medicinal, scientific, mechanical, and pharmaceutical purposes; and to purchase and use ardent spirits and alcohol for the manufacture of flavoring extracts, toilet, medicinal and antiseptic preparations or solutions, and patent and proprietary medicines, as provided in the said Act of the Assembly.

LEADBEATER DRUG CORPORATION. E. S. Leadbeater, President. March 20, 1917. 68-3v.

Masonic Notice.

There will be a called communication of Andrew Jackson Lodge, No. 120, A. F. & A. M., Wednesday evening, March 21, at 7:30 o'clock, for WORK. A full attendance is desired. By order W. M., Jas. E. Alexander, Secty. 67-31.

PROGRESS OF THE WAR

Allies Press Retiring Germans and Keep Advancing all Along the Line.

The British and French forces in France are still pressing rapidly behind the retreating Germans all along the front from the region of Arras to the northeast of Soissons.

Fifty-four more villages have been taken by the British, who, during Monday's operations, gained ground at various points, extending from two to eight miles in depth, while 20 additional villages and small towns in addition to 100 occupied during the last three days, have been recaptured by the French. So rapid has been the advance of the French that they have penetrated beyond the village of Ham, 12 miles southwest of St. Quentin, and beyond Chaumes, which lies some 15 miles north of the line from which the offensive was started. These operations from the south and southwest are menacing the St. Quentin-Laon line, and if the rapidity of the movement is kept up for any length of time will menace the town of St. Quentin itself.

The Germans in their retreat are devastating the country, burning villages and destroying orchards and even blowing up farm lands, in which great craters have been left by explosions. In addition, bridges have been destroyed and roads of communication cut. The inhabitants of the places evacuated are said to have been left destitute.

Meanwhile the Russians and British are keeping up their strong offensive against the Turks in Asia Minor, Persia and Mesopotamia. Along the Diale River the British have occupied the village of Bahriz and a portion of the town of Baku, about 25 miles northeast of Baghdad, and the Turks are reported to be in hasty retreat toward Khanikan, on the Turco-Persian frontier a little to the northwest of Kermanshah. In this region the Ottoman forces are likely soon to meet the oncoming Russians, who are reported by Petrograd to have dislodged the Turks from the town of Karunabad, 25 miles southwest of Kermanshah.

The situation on the eastern front in Russia, in Galicia and Rumania is unchanged. Artillery duels and small infantry engagements continue on the Austro-Italian front.

RUMORS OF GERMAN REVOLT.

Hamburg and Other Cities Said to be Scenes of Disturbances.

Rumors have been in circulation in financial circles in New York and Washington for the past few days to the effect that there are revolts in several German cities. Concerning it the New York Evening Sun of last night published the following cable from London:

"Reports from a Danish newspaper state that a revolution has broken out in Hamburg, Germany. No confirmation of the rumor can be obtained here. Official advices are lacking."

Amsterdam, March 21 (Wednesday)—The Telegraaf says a disturbance broke out in Rotterdam Tuesday after the weekly meeting of the revolutionary socialist party. The police were called on to maintain order, says the newspaper.

London, March 21.—Some of the morning newspapers give prominence today to wireless reports received from Switzerland saying that the news of the Russian revolution has started serious agitation in some of the German industrial towns. Among these towns are Leipzig, Dresden and Munich, where strikes and other disturbances are said to be taking place.

AN APPEAL

To the Friends of the Alexandria Hospital.

There will be an exhibit at 530 King street, of fine coffee, "The Maxwell House Coffee," under the auspices of the Board of Lady Managers of the Alexandria Hospital, on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, this week, from 10 to 12:30 a. m., and from 2:30 to 5:30 p. m. each day. Ten per cent. of all sales of coffee on these days, will be for the benefit of the Hospital. We therefore appeal to every citizen of Alexandria to come and buy one or more pounds of coffee and thus aid the Board of Managers in one of their efforts to raise funds for furnishing the new hospital.

By order of the Board of Lady Managers. MRS. L. WILBER REID, Vice President.



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LET THE PRESIDENT ALONE

We noticed in today's papers that that restive individual, Theodore Roosevelt declares that the United States fleet is taking refuge under the British navy. Roosevelt long since played his part in the history of our country and has been making himself cheap ever since by talking too much. His utterances, however, carry but little weight at this time. But while glancing at the headlines concerning his latest fulminations it brought to mind a number of incidents of recent date which prove conclusive that Woodrow Wilson should be given a free hand in piloting the ship of state at this critical time.

When the Panama Canal was opened to the traffic of the world five years ago it had been provided that American ships should be allowed the use of the great waterway without the payment of tolls. This to the greatest number looked right; the canal had been built by American capital, and why should not our merchant marine profit by it? Woodrow Wilson had been in office but a short time, and he disapproved of this privilege from the beginning. Many could not see why, and the President upon that occasion went to Congress and earnestly besought the people's representatives to expunge that clause and charge all ships the usual tolls which desire to use the canal. He asked this, he said, for reasons best known to himself and which he could not as President divulge. His wishes rested that Congress did right in were deferred to.

The Gazette on that occasion suggesting out the wishes of the President, as he doubtless saw further into the future than the rank and file which time would prove.

Was Mr. Wilson thinking of the present fearful clash of arms then but two years away, and the inevitability of the United States becoming an ally of Great Britain? It will be remembered that England was more interested than any other country in having the canal opened to all nations upon an equal footing and with a monopoly to none. The United States retained the friendship of the mother country which it is enjoying at a time when the nation is menaced by a people whose main principle is "Might is right."

Many restive Americans wonder why the President does not draw the sword at once, and it looks to us as though the time has come when Columbia should arise in her righteous indignation at the murderous acts of German submarines and fight to a finish a people who have no regard for the rights of others in order to carry out their aims. But we are willing to await the bugle blast from the White House, and in the interval we comfort ourselves with the assurance that the hour has not yet struck.

But the query is pertinent, why this delay? Surely the United States has suffered long from this monster which has during the past three years been terrorizing the civilized world. The answer to this question will be given at the proper time. We imagine we hear it ever anon.

We are told that the scorpion when forced to bay turns its weapons upon its own body and stings itself to death. Is this action to be imitated by Hohenzollernism? If we are to credit what we read from the happenings in the Fatherland the people will in the near future rise up in their honest indignation and obliterate an oligarchy which has disturbed Europe at times since the days of Frederick II. This old atheist, as Maria Theresa termed him, passed most of a mispent life upon crutches. His successor of today is said to be kept alive upon narcotics while the foundations of his country and throne are tottering.

The Gazette suggested a few days ago that the United States might not become a party to the war against Germany, but would be a

guest at the internment, of a truly great but misguided nation.

When Ambassador Gerard drew near the shores of America he let it be known that he had important matters to communicate to President Wilson. Reading between the lines, it looked to us that he was anxious lest Mr. Wilson would declare war before having an interview with him. We may rest assured that but little of what was communicated to the President by Ambassador Gerard was published. The slim accounts of conditions in Germany added but little to what we knew already. It was to the effect that a certain percentage of the people of the land had about all they needed, while another percentage was upon a short allowance and there were others who were enduring hardships in the way of deprivations. Does any thinking person suppose that this was all the ambassador was so anxious to impart to the President of the United States? No, matters far more interesting were spoken sub rosa which the next few weeks, probably days, will make clear. It will be remembered that members of the Ambassador's party were more valuable in their accounts of conditions in Germany.

Did Mr. Gerard know that the Russian revolution was so near and that others like it are inevitable in Germany and Austria? Was he aware of the fact that the death knell of the Romanoffs, Hohenzollerns, and Hapsburgs had been struck, and that the next few days would show them to be houses of cards?

To bring all this to a conclusion, is President Wilson waiting for the scorpion to sting itself to death? Is he waiting to be a guest at the funeral?

Are the well-meaning German people about to capture this monster scorpion and deprive it of its sting by breaking off Prussianism? We shall see.

SMALL MEN.

Among the moving pictures which have been exhibited recently was one which had for its purpose the portrayal of "the man with a peanut soul." In other words, the small, two-by-three fellow, the stingy, grasping chap who is never known to give up a dollar unless it is for the purpose of getting about three back in exchange for it. He is the same one who always opposes real progress; who is never identified with any movement started for the benefit of his city or its people and who evidently begrudges the dollars the law compels him to pay to support the schools and other public institutions of his community.

It is to be hoped that Alexandria has none of that kind of men. If it has it would be a good stroke of business for the city to purchase their property, even at a fancy price, and also present them with a railroad ticket to other parts.

Governor Stuart of this state said Monday, in referring to Germany's latest submarine outrages against American shipping, that in his opinion they were the signal for war, without further parley. Continuing he said: "President Wilson's course with Germany has been marked by the greatest forbearance, but this latest development fulfills every condition on the fulfillment of which war with that country waited. I don't see how any other view is possible."

Over four million men have thus far sacrificed their lives in the human war which has paralyzed the foreign countries and unless the world can be recast and human liberty and national right can secure a new and enduring sanction, the sacrifice will stand as the most wanton and criminal debauch of power history has yet recorded.

"IT CAN BE DONE."

Somebody said that it couldn't be done. But he, with a chuckle, replied: "That maybe it couldn't," but he would be one. Who wouldn't say so till he tried. So he buckled right in, with a trace of a grin. On his face. If he worried he hid it. He started to sing as he tackled the thing. That couldn't be done—and he did it.

Somebody scoffed: "Oh, you'll never do that; At least no one ever has done it." But he took off his coat and he took off his hat. And the first thing we knew he'd begun it. With the lift of his chin, and a bit of a grin. Without any doubting of quiddit. He started to sing as he tackled the thing.

That couldn't be done—and he did it. There are thousands to tell you it cannot be done. There are thousands to prophesy failure; There are thousands to point out to you, one by one, The dangers that wait to assail you; But just buckle in with a bit of a grin, Then take off your coat and go to it; Just start in to sing as you tackle the thing, That "cannot be done"—and you'll do it.

Anonymous.

Notice to Tax Payers.

Having received blank forms for listing personal property, incomes, and capitation taxes for the year 1917, I am now engaged in making the assessment and as this duty compels me to be out of the office during business hours to expedite the work, the Commissioners Office, Room 7, City Hall will be open in the evening from seven to nine o'clock, Cameron Street entrance.

CHARLES H. CALAHAN, Commissioner of Revenue. As stated above the Commissioner of Revenue of this city is engaged in making the annual assessment, and as his time is limited by law we earnestly request that the tax payers will promptly list their property and return said list to the Commissioner.

duly sworn to before some one authorized to administer oaths, not later than the first day of April. Those who desire the Commissioner to assist them in the preparation of their returns will find him in his office every evening from seven to nine o'clock, but unless weather conditions prevent he will be out making his rounds during the day, in view of which the opportunity to file reports in the evening should be promptly accepted. ROBINSON MONCURE, E. E. LAWLER, CLINTON S. BALLENGER, Local Board of Review.

Legal Notice

The undersigned Lines will on April 3rd, 1917, at 10:00 a. m., apply to the State Corporation Commission at Richmond, Va., for authority to make effective on and after May 1st, 1917, the per capita party fares on basis of Two and one-quarter (2 1/4) cents per mile for local and interline transportation of ten (10) or more persons traveling together on one party ticket between points within the State of Virginia, as set forth in a communication filed with the State Corporation Commission, at Richmond, Va., on February 19th, 1917.

Atlantic Coast Line R. R. Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio Ry. The Chesapeake & Ohio Ry. Danville & Western Ry. Louisville & Nashville Ry. New York, Philadelphia & Norfolk R. R. Norfolk & Western Ry. Norfolk Southern R. R. Richmond, Fredericksburg & Potomac R. R. Washington Southern Ry.

ANNOUNCEMENT

It is with gratification we announce to our friends and customers, that, notwithstanding the great increase in cost of materials and supplies used by this Company, we shall endeavor to maintain the present retail price of ICE in Alexandria, with a slight change only in our wholesale delivery. Existing conditions have forced manufacturers in many other cities to advance prices.

For many years this Company, in connection with its incorporators, Messrs. Wm. M. Reardon and J. W. Hammond & Sons, has with one or two exceptions of short periods, supplied the entire ICE requirements of Alexandria, and HAS REFUSED TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF UNFORTUNATE CONDITIONS AND ADVANCE THE PRICE OF ICE, and we will try to continue this policy during the present high level of cost to the consumer of nearly every commodity necessary for household consumption.

This Company has now a yearly production of approximately 30,000 TONS OF ICE, WITH STORAGE CAPACITY OF 10,000 TONS, and we are increasing our Potomac Yard plant an additional 20,000 tons. Upon completion about May 1st, we will have a capacity of about 50,000 TONS PER YEAR, an amount that ABSOLUTELY INSURES A PLENTIFUL SUPPLY OF ICE FOR ALEXANDRIA, and its citizens need never fear an ICE FAMINE, inasmuch as the yearly requirements of ALEXANDRIA APPROXIMATE ONLY 8,000 to 9,000 TONS. Our large production is made necessary by our increasing Railroad requirements and demands from other cities that are unable to produce sufficient ICE during the heated periods of August and September. It will thus be noted that ALEXANDRIA HAS SUFFICIENT PRODUCTION without the prospects of an ICE SHORTAGE AND ITS INCONVENIENCES.

To maintain our present retail delivery prices we must have the assistance of our customers, and therefore request that they facilitate the delivery of ICE as far as possible by not unnecessarily delaying our wagons; by making unusual requests, and failing to promptly receive ICE upon delivery. Further, to assist us in our delivery economy, we shall on April 1st, adopt entirely the Ice Coupon System for all charge accounts of more than one week. This to minimize book accounting in our office.

To our cash customers we earnestly request that they consider the Coupon System, believing, from our experience during the past two years of operating same, that they will find it is the most practical way to purchase ICE; that a better accounting can be kept and greater economy to the user of ICE as well as the Company.

Since installing the Coupon System we have allowed variable discounts on all books sold, deductible thirty days after purchase of Books. This year on account of economy necessary to maintain our prices, we are forced to discontinue the discounts on the above basis and substitute a straight 3 per cent discount deductible only at time of purchase of Books, otherwise Books will be payable at net price upon the use of last Coupon, or on such other terms as we may arrange.

To our wholesale trade we anticipate NO ADVANCE IN PRICE. PROVIDED THEY WILL CO-OPERATE WITH US IN THE USE OF COUPON BOOKS, which will be sold at same rate as heretofore, but under same conditions as retail Books.

We realize the necessity of economy to maintain our delivery prices, and trust the citizens of Alexandria will assist us to maintain these prices notwithstanding the greatly increased cost of all materials and supplies. Their co-operation and compliance with our reasonable request will give Alexandria a splendid delivery and at a cost under nearly every other city of equal size in ICE consuming requirements.

MUTUAL ICE COMPANY.
W. M. REARDON, President.
HARRY HAMMOND, Secretary-Treasurer.

Seaboard Air Line Ry.
Southern Railway Company,
The Virginian Railway Co.
March 19-23-26-29.

Meeting, Southern Cattlemen's Association, Atlanta, Ga., April 4-6, 1917

Account the above occasion the Southern Railway will have on sale at Washington, D. C. and principal cities in Virginia reduced round trip fare tickets April 2nd and 3rd, bearing final return limit April 11th. For complete information as to fares, schedules, etc., consult agents or write Mr. R. H. DeButts, D. P. A., 705 15th Street, N. W. 67-11.

Notice

TAKE NOTICE—That the undersigned will, on April 9, 1917, or as soon thereafter as the same may be heard, make application to the Corporation Court of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, for license to order, purchase or receive ardent spirits for the use of the Alexandria Hospital, and not to be used contrary to the provisions of chapter 146 of the Acts of Assembly of 1916; and to sell such ardent spirits upon prescription to the patients of said Hospital under and in accordance with the provisions of chapter 146 of the Acts of Assembly of 1916.

WORTH HULFISH,
President of Board of Trustees of
Alexandria Hospital, March 17-24-31

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—H. J. BAKER—

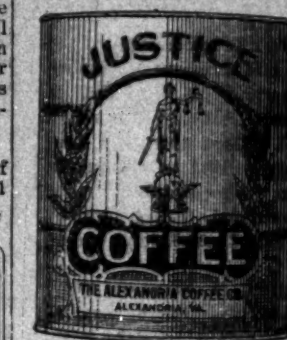
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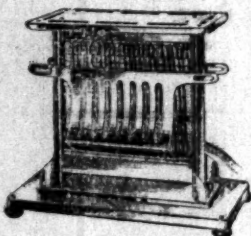
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DOING SPLENDID WORK

Address by Miss Monroe, Concerning the Care of the Children in Alexandria's Public Schools.

Miss Monroe, the school nurse, gave a very interesting talk concerning her work at the meeting of the Rectors' Aid Society held in the chapel of St. Paul's Episcopal Church yesterday afternoon.

She especially commended the parents and Parent-Teachers' Association for the support and co-operation they are giving her in the work she is trying to accomplish. With the exception of a very few cases the parents are eager to do anything suggested for the good of the children and whenever money has been advanced for glasses or medicines it has been refunded.

She stated that a large number of the children have trouble with their eyes and that seems to be one of the things mothers pay very little attention to. For instance, one little boy had one eye which turned in so badly he could see absolutely nothing with it, yet his mother thought so long as he could see with the other one, that was all that was necessary. He was taken to the Episcopal Clinic in Washington and in a few months that eye was as good as the other one. Nearly every week several are taken to Washington for eye treatment.

The teeth are another very important thing and while there is a decided improvement in the care of them, still it is impossible to get a child to go to a dentist unless they are excused from school for that purpose. They absolutely refuse to go after school hours.

Not long ago a lady remarked that there was one thing the children here would never have to be examined for, because they never have it in this climate, and that was tuberculosis. However, there are a great many children in our public schools who have weak lungs, not tuberculosis now, but which will develop into that if not taken care of in time.

Miss Monroe said that until she took up this work she always supposed children were healthy animals, but now she knows they are not. Nearly every child has something the matter with it, which, in a great many cases, would be outgrown but which need a little attention at first. As soon as the slightest symptoms of a contagious disease appear the child is at once sent home, not allowed to wait and communicate it to the others in the school room.

Among other things Miss Monroe mentioned are the good results obtained by Girls' Athletic Club recently started at the High School. Even in this short time the girls are more graceful, stand more erect and their general appearance is greatly improved.

Miss Monroe and Dr. Powell, the school physician, should have the hearty support of every parent in our city for the good work they are doing for the future citizens of Alexandria.

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and names and addresses of your neighbors who may be interested and would like to receive one of these catalogues.

This store has been the trading center of a most discriminating city patronage for over 50 years. It has been noted for its quality, progressiveness and value aggressiveness. It is but natural that our reputation for value and service has outgrown the city districts.

Our greatest asset is confidence of our patrons, and it is our earnest desire that the same confidence shall also prevail among the mail order clients we serve.

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You will get the alarm in time—Backache, or dizziness or disorders of the urine.

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Mrs. C. R. Crump, 315 north Columbus street, Alexandria, says: "I suffered a great deal from my back and I was often so bad that I could not turn over in bed. When I got down I could hardly straighten up again. Doan's Kidney Pills have overcome this trouble. I can now get about easily and feel like a different person. I recommended this valuable medicine to a great many people, who have used it and also praise it highly."

Price 50c. at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Crump had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

Lewis Shifflet, of Yancey, Rockingham county, was shot through the hand by a railroad detective at Basic City. It is said that Shifflet was stealing a ride on a freight train and that the detective tried to arrest him. The bullet went through his hand.

Classified Advertising

WANTED—Ten girls at Klotz Silk Mill, wages \$3.50 per week while learning; experienced hands can earn from \$6.00 to \$7.00 per week. Steady work guaranteed. Apply at mill, corner Pitt and Wilkes street. 64-304.

WANTED—A young white man as clerk at the Cameron Lunch Room, 704 King street. References. 69-31.

WANTED—Any one having a rolling chair (in good condition) for sale, please call at 312 South St. Asaph street. 68-31.

WANTED—Two young lady stenographers, by Capitol Refining Company, Arlington, Virginia. Phone West 1800. 68-31.

WANTED OLD FALSE TEETH—Don't matter if broken. I pay \$1.00 to \$5.00 per set. Mail to E. Mazur, 2007 S. Fifth street, Philadelphia, Pa. Will send cash by return mail. 58-121.

APARTMENT FOR RENT—In the "Jefferson," 305 south St. Asaph, 5 rooms and bath, second floor, modern improvements, \$35.00 per month including heat and water. Graham and Ogden, 529 King St. 26-11.

FOR SALE—Owing to leaving town will sell a Heinekamp grand piano in first class condition cheap to cash buyer. Apply to Mrs. William D. Hudson, 1302 King street. 67-31.

FOR RENT—Attractive 2nd floor flat, centrally located, King street, 4 rooms and bath, hot and cold water, heat, electric lights, and gas, low rent, apply 620 Duke St. 68-31.

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LOST—Automatic Colt revolver. Reward if returned to E. P. Brown, 1602 King street. 68-31.

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NEWS NOTES OF THE DAY

Told in Short Paragraphs Picked Up All Over the Country.

The remainder of the American bluejackets at Santiago, Cuba, returned to their ships Monday, leaving a marine guard ashore. The total force on land is now about half the original number, and it is expected the Cubans by tomorrow will have the police force so well organized as to justify the withdrawal of all the Americans. Reports from the interior show continued destruction of property, but no aggressive organized movement by the rebels is apparent.

A "barred zone" regulating décollete gowns in ballrooms will be established by the State of Illinois if an amendment offered by Senator Denver to a dance hall bill today is adopted. The amendment would prohibit girls from wearing in any dance hall a dress which exposed the body below a line drawn from shoulder tip to shoulder tip.

Charles A. Sulzer, Democrat, and brother of former Governor William Sulzer of New York, was elected delegate to Congress from Alaska last November by a majority of nineteen votes, according to a decision by United States Judge Robert W. Jennings yesterday. The canvassing board had declared James Wickersham, Independent Republican, elected, but an appeal was taken to the Federal Court. Wickersham has served four terms as delegate from Alaska.

A Regular dispatch from Petrograd says that a cavalry captain tried on Tuesday to gain access to the new minister of justice, A. F. Kerensky, on the pretext that he had a letter to deliver. The attendants' suspicions were aroused, the man was searched and instead of a letter a loaded revolver was found. The revolver was taken from him, whereupon he snatched it back and committed suicide.

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7 rooms, bath, ... \$20.00

226 North Royal street,

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501 Queen street,

6 rooms, bath, ... \$18.00

1214 King street,

7 rooms, bath, ... \$18.00

418 North Fayette street,

6 rooms, bath, ... \$18.00

431 North Columbus street,

6 rooms, bath, garage \$18.00

833 Duke street,

8 rooms, bath, 2nd floor \$15.00

513 South Lee street,

8 rooms, bath, ... \$15.00

321 King street,

5 room flat, bath \$15.00

1402 Duke street,

6 rooms, bath, ... \$15.00

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7 rooms, ... \$12.00

Prince street, extd.,

6 rooms, large lot \$12.00

515 Orleans street,

5 rooms, bath, ... \$10.75

514 Queen street,

7 rooms, frame, ... \$10.00

205 South Fayette street,

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Another Big "Remnant Sale" Thursday

We have received direct from the mills hundreds of NEW USEFUL REMNANTS and MILL ENDS, which will be ON SALE THURSDAY at VERY SPECIAL PRICES. You should not miss our "Remnant Sales" every Thursday, as they mean a Real Saving of Money to you.

Five hundred yards white Skirting in Pique and Gabardine, 25c to 35c value. Remnant price, yard, ... 19c
Ten dozen fancy Turkish Towels, 35c value. Remnant price, 25c.
Two dozen ladies' mended Kid Gloves, \$1.50 value. Price 69c.
Two dozen misses' Gingham Dresses, slightly soiled, \$1.98 value. Remnant price, each, ... 75c
Six ladies' Silk Underskirts, slightly soiled, \$1.98 value. Remnant price, each, ... 98c
Five hundred dozen pearl buttons, 5c value. Remnant price 2 dozen for 5c
Ten dozen Men's dark blue Work Shirts, with collars attached, all sizes. Special price Thursday, each, ... 50c

New Spring Pictorial Patterns, at Pattern Counter, each 10c, 15c, 20c, 25c.

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GUARD ORDER CONFLICT

Demobilization Halted in Some Places And Goes on in Others

Chicago, March 21.—Maj. Gen. Thos. H. Barry, Commander of the Central Department, United States Army, issued orders Monday suspending the further mustering out of troops in the department, "subject to further notice."

The troops affected by the order include:

Michigan—One regiment of infantry, two troops of cavalry, two batteries of field artillery, one signal corps company, one company of engineers and three sanitary units.

Indiana—One sanitary unit.

Ohio—Four regiments of infantry, one squadron of cavalry, one battalion of field artillery, two signal corps companies, four companies of engineers and five sanitary units.

Colorado and Iowa troops also are affected by the order.

Montgomery, Ala., March 21.—An order received here Monday from Major-General Wood directing that demobilization of the Alabama National Guard be discontinued was followed closely by one from the War Department ordering that the demobilization proceed.

Although no explanation was made officially, it was assumed that the Eastern Department commander had acted in his own initiative and that Washington officials had decided the delay ordered by him would be necessary.

Columbia, S. C., March 21.—State officials who were ordered Monday not to demobilize South Carolina's guardsmen continued the mustering out today after a revoking order had been received from Washington.

Jackson, Miss., March 21.—Orders were received here Monday from Major-General Wood not to demobilize Mississippi troops just back from the border.

Washington, March 21.—Beyond saying that there had been no change in the decision to let the demobilization of National Guard units proceed, War Department officials would not comment on the conflicting orders received in several states.

On the surface, however, the developments indicated that to be ready for whatever action might follow the sinking of three American ships, Major-General Wood had ordered the demobilization held up without waiting to refer the matter to Washington.

VIRGINIA NEWS

S. C. Taylor's gold mine, which is situated near Martinsville, is bringing results hardly anticipated by the farmer when he decided to exploit the vein of ore running through his land. The yield is now bringing \$500 worth of gold a ton and Taylor is so encouraged over the development of the mine that he intends to operate it on a larger scale.

Three alleged German plotters are in jail in Staunton today under suspension of planning to wreck the plant of the Crimora Manganese Corporation, the mines of which are located near here. Their names are given as Harry Smith, J. Shepherd and John Mitchell, but they are believed to be Germans. They are being held on a technical charge of vagrancy. Assistant Superintendent Hilliard, of the mines is hurrying to Washington to report the case to the Department of Justice.

After nearly a year's delay, the last obstacle to the War Department's plan to build a modern fortification at Cape Henry was removed today when Judge Edmund Waddill,

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In the United States Court, awarded the Norfolk Southern Railway Company 1 cent damages for its right of way through the reservation. The officials of the railway company and of the War Department reached an agreement several weeks ago, but, owing to the objections of the mortgage trustees, it was necessary to have the court pass on the matter so as to relieve the trustees of any liability.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Virginia State Farmers' Institute it was decided to hold the next annual meeting of that body at Blacksburg on August 15, 16 and 17, 1917. The dining hall at the college will be opened for the benefit of the farmers and their wives, and accommodations will be provided in the barracks for those who desire them. The hotels, boarding-houses and private homes in the town will be available to the visitors, and ample provision will be made for all who attend. Special features of interest to women will be on the program of the institute.

Ex-President William Howard Taft opens his Southern campaign tonight in the City Auditorium, Richmond, in the interest of the League to Enforce Peace. A subscription dinner will be held in the Jefferson Hotel at 6:30 o'clock, at which many of the city's leading citizens will meet him. Following the dinner Mr. Taft will speak in the City Auditorium at 8:15 o'clock in behalf of the League to Enforce Peace. After the address he will be tendered a reception by the University Club. Thursday morning at 10:30 o'clock he will depart for Greensboro, en route to Atlanta. He will at Atlanta address the joint session of the Georgia legislature.

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In the Corporation Court of the City of Alexandria, Virginia. James C. Lewis, vs. Lottie P. Lewis, In Chancery.

Upon the application of the plaintiff, stating specifically the last known place of abode of the defendant, and that the defendant is a non-resident of this State, the Court, on this 9th day of March, 1917, doth grant the following Order of Publication.

The object of this suit is to obtain a decree absolutely and entirely divorcing the complainant from the defendant, on the ground of willful desertion and abandonment for more than three years prior to the institution of this suit; an affidavit having been filed that Lottie P. Lewis is not a resident of the State of Virginia.

It is ordered, that she do appear within fifteen days after due publication of this Order, and do what is necessary to protect her interest in this suit; that a copy of this order be forthwith inserted in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in the City of Alexandria, Virginia, once a week for four successive weeks; and posted at the front door of the Court House of this City, on or before the next succeeding rule day of the Corporation Court, after this Order is entered; that a copy of this Order of Publication shall be sent by registered mail, by the Clerk of this Court, addressed to the said Lottie P. Lewis, at 347 Van Street, Southwest, Washington, D. C., the last known place of abode and residence of the said defendant.

A copy Teste: NEVELL S. GREENAWAY, Clerk. Samuel G. Brent, P. Q. 60-4w.

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AT NATION'S COMMAND

Telegraph and Telephone Chiefs Report to War Department.

Washington, March 21.—Officials of the leading telephone and telegraph companies conferred here Monday with War Department officials and Director Gifford, of the Council of National Defense, to perfect plans to insure the Government rapid and efficient wire communications in the event of war.

Theodore N. Vail, president of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, headed the delegation, which included Newcomb Charlton, president of the Western Union; Charles P. Bruch, vice president of the Postal; F. B. McKinnon, vice president of the United States Independent Telephone Association, and N. C. Kingsbury, vice president of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company.

The delegation also conferred with Brigadier-General Kuhn, president of the Army War College; Brigadier-General Squier, chief of the Army Signal Service, and Commander Todd, director of the Navy Radio.

Secretary Baker thanked the wire company heads for what they already had done toward assuring the Government service in war time.

Mr. Vail told the council that the country now is equipped with wire facilities necessary to meet any emergency.

"We are co-operating with the Council of National Defense to the best of our ability," he said, "and stand ready to do anything and everything that the army and navy or other Government departments may require of us to aid in the national defense. The vital thing, fully realized by both Federal officials and wire companies, has been to perfect a co-ordination to insure complete co-operation not only between the Government and the companies, but between the companies themselves with regard to communications and censorship of communications. This has now all been arranged for."

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